

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 25, 2023 - 7:00 PM
Public Comment – 6:30 PM
City Council Chambers 400 East Military, Fremont NE

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Spellerberg called the City Council Meeting to order and stated that a copy of the open meeting law is posted continually for public inspection located near the entrance door by the agendas.

**ROLL CALL** Roll call showed Members Dinkins, Ellis, Lathrop, Vaughan, Jensen, Von Behren, Ganem and Sookram present; 8 members present.

## **MAYOR COMMENTS**

(There will be no discussion from the Council or the public regarding comments made by the Mayor. Should anyone have questions regarding the comments, please contact the Mayor after the meeting)

1. Motion to adopt current agenda for the April 25, 2023 Regular Meeting. Motion made by Ganem, seconded by Jensen to adopt current agenda for the April 25, 2023 Regular Meeting. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.

## **APPOINTMENTS**:

- 2. Motion to approve the recommendation of the Mayor to appoint Maggie Hiatt to an unexpired term on the Utility and Infrastructure Board for a term ending June 2025. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Sookram to approve the recommendation of the Mayor to appoint Maggie Hiatt to an unexpired term on the Utility and Infrastructure Board for a term ending June 2025. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion to approve the recommendation of the Mayor to reappoint Dan Weddle to the Civil Service Commission for a term ending April 2029. Motion made by Sookram, seconded by Vaughan to approve the recommendation of the Mayor to reappoint Dan Weddle to the Civil Service Commission for a term ending April 2029. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

4. Resolution 2023-094 approving application for a Class C Liquor License for Peurh, LLC dba Semo Pasta & Wine, at 414 N. Main Street. Mayor Spellerberg opened the public

hearing. Mayor Spellerberg closed the public hearing after receiving comments from the public. Motion made by Von Behren, Seconded by Sookram to approve Resolution 2023-094. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.

<u>CONSENT AGENDA:</u> All items in the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or a citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. Motion made by Jensen, seconded by Sookram to approve consent agenda items 5-8, 10, 12 & 14. Voting Yea: Lathrop, Ellis, Dinkins, Jensen, Von Behren, Ganem, Vaughan, Sookram. Motion carried.

- 5. Motion to approve April 12, 2023 through April 25, 2023 claims and authorize checks to be drawn on the proper accounts
- 6. Dispense with and approve April 11, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes
- 7. Receive March 2023 animal reports
- 8. Motion to approve the Cement/Asphalt/Excavate worker license application(s)
- 9. Resolution 2023-095 adopting FEMA policy #108-023 and Documentation Requirements for Recipients required for compliance with Assistance to Firefighters Grant Award number: EMW-2021-FG-04049. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Sookram to amend the item resolution number to 2023-102. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried. Motion made by Jensen, seconded by Vaughan to approve Resolution 2023-102 as amended. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.
- 10. Resolution 2023-097 to authorize execution of a professional services contract between the Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging (ENOA) and the Fremont Friendship Center (Senior Center)
- 11. Resolution 2023-098 authorizing the retirement of Fremont Police K-9 Apollo to his current handler Briana Ryan. Motion made by Vaughan, Seconded by Ganem to approve Resolution 2023-098. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.
- 12. Resolution 2023-099 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Master Services Agreement with Metropolitan Community College for employees to obtain or upgrade their CDL license
- 13. Resolution 2023-102 to approve and accept the EMS Ambulance ARPA funding from the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for ambulance purchase. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Ganem to amend the item resolution number to 2023-095. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried. Motion made by Von Behren, Seconded by Sookram to approve Resolution 2023-095 as amended. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.
- 14. Resolution 2023-103 approving the proposed Keno Grant awards as recommended by the Keno Advisory Committee

## **NEW BUSINESS:** Requires individual associated action

- 15. Resolution 2023-100 authorizing approval of the Professional Services Agreement Amendment for the Runway 14/32 Pavement Rehabilitation Project at the Fremont Municipal Airport. Motion made by Sookram, seconded by Jensen to approve Resolution 2023-100. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.
- 16. Resolution 2023-104 approving the Master Fee Schedule for the City of Fremont and the Department of Utilities and to authorize Staff to assess those fees accordingly to the users of those services. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Ganem to continue the item to the next City Council Meeting. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Dinkins, Jensen, Sookram, Vaughan, Lathrop, Von Behren. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** Motion made by Jensen, seconded by Ganem to adjourn; time: 7:43 P.M. Voting Yea: Lathrop, Ellis, Von Behren, Vaughan, Jensen, Ganem, Sookram, Dinkins. Motion carried.

Agenda posted at the Municipal Building on April 19, 2023 and online at www.fremontne.gov. Agenda distributed to the Mayor and City Council on April 19, 2023. This meeting is preceded by publicized notice in the Fremont Tribune on the last Thursday of the preceding month and the agenda, including any notice of study session or public hearing, is displayed in the Municipal Building and is open to the public. The official current copy is available at City Hall, 400 East Military, City Clerk's Office. The City Council reserves the right to go into Executive Session at any time. A copy of the Open Meeting Law is posted in the City Council Chambers for review by the public. The City of Fremont reserves the right to adjust the order of items on the agenda.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE FREMONT, NEBRASKA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 25, 2023.

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Joey Spellerberg, Mayor